Coordination Group Meeting Operations

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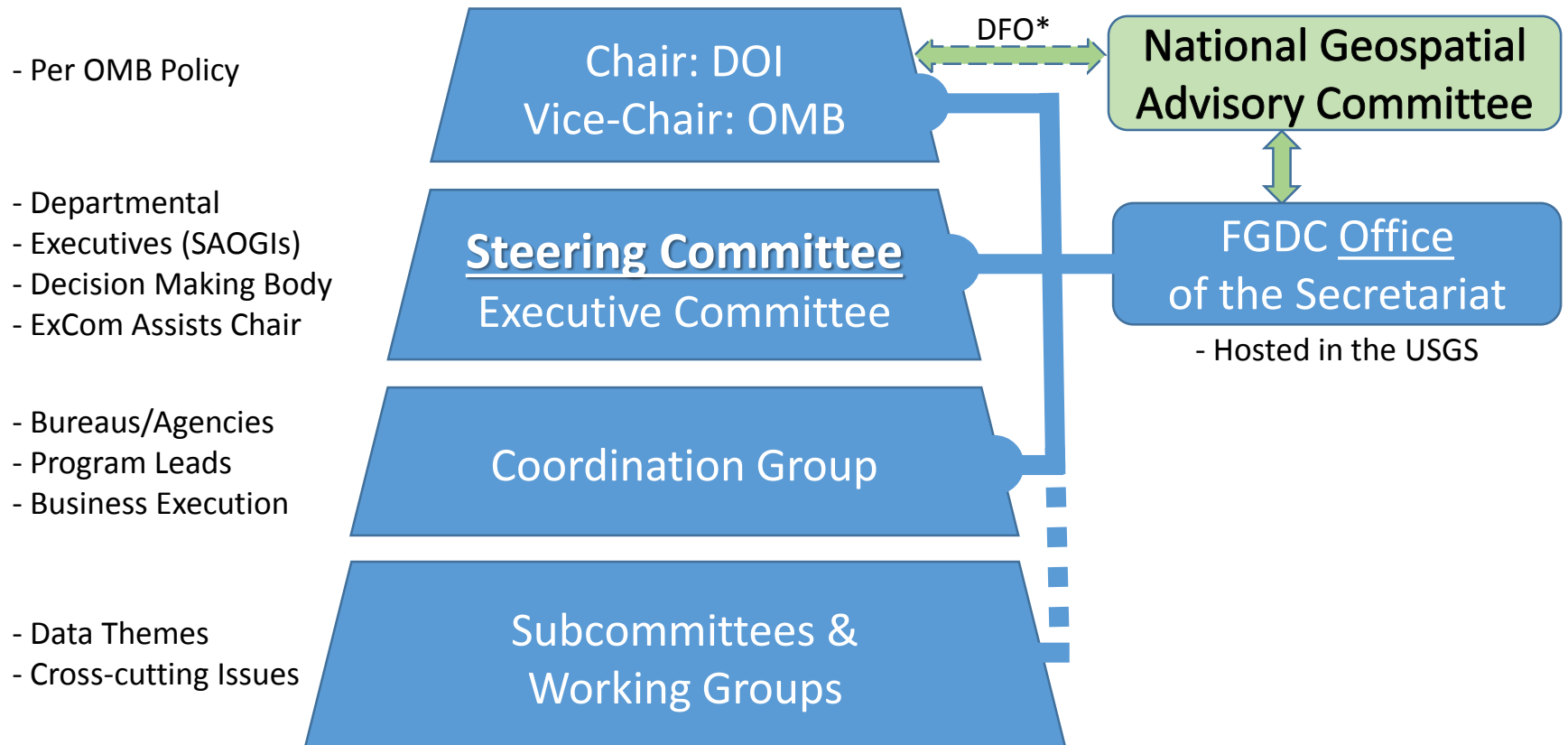*Federal Geographic Data Committee*

September 11, 2018

CG Operations

Topics:

- *CG Charter and Membership responsibilities*

- *Meeting Agenda Development*

- *Alignment with Data Themes, Subcommittees, and Working Groups*

CG Charter April 1, 2016:
https://www.fgdc.gov/organization/coordination-group/coordination-group-charter

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FGDC Structure

- Per OMB Policy

Chair: DOI
Vice-Chair: OMB

DFO*

National Geospatial Advisory Committee

- Departmental
- Executives (SAOGIs)
- Decision Making Body
- ExCom Assists Chair

Steering Committee
Executive Committee

FGDC Office
of the Secretariat

- Hosted in the USGS

- Bureaus/Agencies
- Program Leads
- Business Execution

Coordination Group

- Data Themes
- Cross-cutting Issues

Subcommittees &
Working Groups

*Reports through the Designated Federal Officer (DFO),
Executive Director of the FGDC OS

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CG Charter: Purpose

❖ Identification, prioritization, implementation, coordination, and oversight of strategies and tasks required to support the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI) and coordinate Federal geospatial programs to that end.

❖ Accountable to, **and provides recommendations to**, the FGDC Steering Committee and its Executive Committee.

   ❖ These are the policy-level interagency authorities
   ❖ Responsible for providing leadership and direction in implementing the NSDI
   ❖ And the development and use of geospatial data and information across Federal geospatial programs along with public and private sector partners/stakeholders.

CG Charter: Authorities

Chartered by the FGDC Steering Committee, which is granted authority through Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-16, Executive Order 12906, and the E-Government Act of 2002.

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CG Charter: Objectives

- Advance inter- and intra-governmental coordination to ensure implementation of the NSDI by:
    - formalizing and promoting use of standards,
    - geospatial portfolio management practices, and
    - guidance to enhance Federal enterprise management of National Geospatial Data Assets (NGDAs).

- Formulate consensus-based strategies for development and management of the A-16 portfolio and other components of the NSDI

- Recommend corresponding policies and actions to the FGDC Steering Committee, and establish corresponding priorities and actions for the FGDC Secretariat, FGDC Subcommittees and Working Groups, and other FGDC interagency activities in tandem with /using input from executive champions and theme managers.

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CG Charter: Objectives (cont'd)

- Recommend establishment of Subcommittees and Working Groups to support the development and use of geospatial data and information across Federal geospatial programs, in conjunction with public and private sector partners/stakeholders.

- Annually review and recommend Subcommittee and Working Group work plans to the FGDC Steering Committee for approval.

- Review progress of Subcommittees and Working Groups regularly at standing meetings and prescribe midcourse corrections when necessary.

- Promote the designation and support of executive champions, theme managers, national data set managers, and data stewards to implement responsibilities outlined in OMB Circular A-16 and associated guidance.

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CG Charter - Membership

Coordination Group members and alternates are appointed by each FGDC member agency's Senior Agency Official for Geospatial Information (SAOGI), who serves as the agency's FGDC Steering Committee member.

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CG Charter: Responsibilities

- Regularly attending and participating in monthly Coordination Group and other NSDI related meetings and presenting their agency perspective.

- Providing input to and regular review of, the Coordination Group's work plan, which includes actions, roles, responsibilities, and time lines.

- Ensuring that FGDC actions and activities are communicated to the SAOGIs and other appropriate entities within their respective agencies.

- Working with the SAOGI to identify and utilize other subject matter expertise, including non-geospatial expertise as needed, within their agency to address FGDC actions.

- Working with the SAOGI and agency management to align the appropriate support to develop and sustain the NSDI and NGDA datasets for which they have responsibility under OMB Circular A-16.

- Coordinate agency responses to Coordination Group actions.

- Coordinate the staffing of Subcommittees, Working Groups, and ad hoc teams as needed.

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CG Charter: Subcommittees / Working Groups

❖ Advise the CG, the NGDA Theme Leads and associated NGDA Dataset Managers

❖ Comprise individuals who represent governmental and non-governmental FGDC-recognized stakeholders

Subcommittees

- For specific types of geospatial data - typically geospatial data associated with NGDA themes specified by OMB Circular A-16.

Working Groups

- That have a common interest in addressing issues that cross-cut or are pertinent to multiple themes (for example, standards and metadata)

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CG Charter: NGDA Theme Leads

NGDA Theme Leads

- Per OMB Circular A-16, certain federal agencies have lead responsibilities for coordinating national coverage and stewardship of specific spatial data themes

- NGDA Theme Leads are individuals selected by lead federal agencies who provide leadership and coordination at the NGDA Theme level

- Shall report on NGDA activities to the Coordination Group on an annual basis
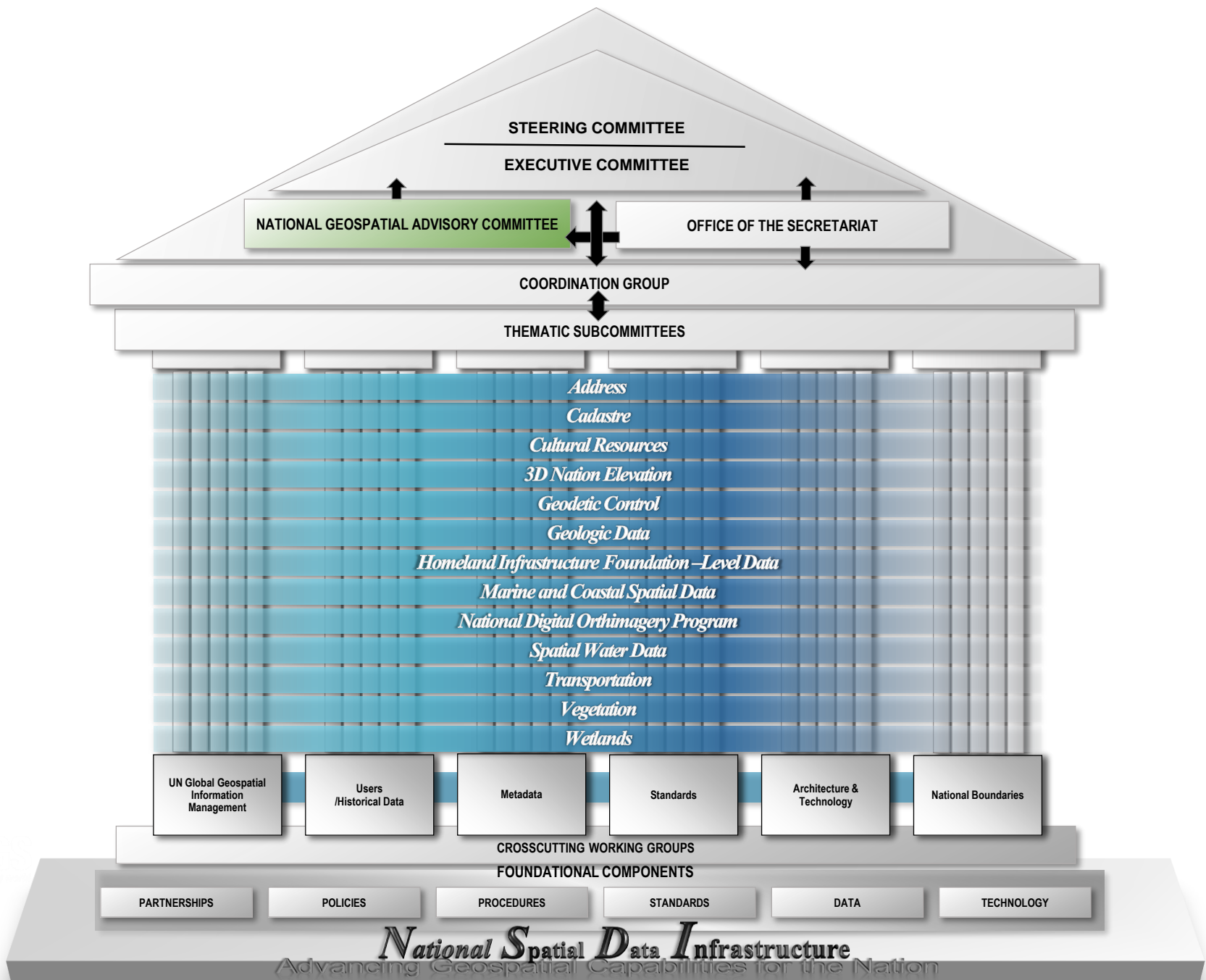
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CG Charter: Chair

❖ The Coordination Group is chaired by the FGDC Executive Director.

❖ At the discretion of the chair, and with concurrence of the Coordination Group, a co-chair may be appointed from within the Coordination Group membership.

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Agenda Development

❖ Coordination Group members provide agenda topics related to CG and FGDC business

- Provide suggested topics through Lucia Foulkes, lfoulkes@usgs.gov

❖ FGDC OS will help ensure core FGDC priority topics and initiatives are included

❖ There is a standing item for agency announcements

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Alignment with Data Themes, Subcommittees, and Working Groups

❖ Coordination Group – representatives from agencies for NGDA and non-NGDA initiatives and coordination

❖ 13 Subcommittees – aligned to CG governance
  ❖ On the FGDC.gov website

❖ 17 Data Themes – aligned to NDGA operations
  ❖ On the GeoPlatform.gov website

❖ Subcommittees and NGDA Data Themes are not a one-to-one relationship

❖ 18 GeoPlatform Data Theme Communities – on the GeoPlatform

Next Steps

❖ Does the CG want to add a session at a future meeting to discuss the NGDA Theme, CG Subcommittee, NGDA GeoPlatform communities construct?

❖ Does their need to be tighter coordination between agency's CG, NGDA Data theme, and subcommittee communities?

❖ Other suggestions?

Questions